

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the following paragraph at line 1 of page 1:

~~DESCRIPTION~~TITLE

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending on line 2 of page 1:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application claims priority to Japanese Patent Document No. 2003-295666 filed on August 19, 2003, the disclosure of which is herein incorporated by reference.

Please delete the following subtitle on line 4 of page 1:

~~TECHNICAL FIELD~~

Please delete the following subtitle on line 9 of page 1:

~~BACKGROUND ART~~

Please add the following new Title after the paragraph ending on line 17 of page 2:

SUMMARY

Please delete the following subtitle on line 25 of page 2:

~~DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 14 with the following rewritten paragraph:

That is, the present invention provides in an embodiment an insulation coated conductive particle in which the surface of a conductive particle is coated with an insulating resin layer formed of an insulating resin having a carboxyl group, wherein the insulating resin layer is surface-treated with a polyfunctional aziridine compound.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 21 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Moreover, the present invention provides in an embodiment a method for fabricating an insulation coated conductive particle, which method includes the step of performing a surface treatment with a polyfunctional aziridine compound on an insulating resin layer that is formed of an insulating resin having a carboxyl group, and coats the surface of a conductive particle.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Furthermore, the present invention provides in an embodiment an anisotropic conductive adhesive in which the aforementioned insulation coated conductive particles are dispersed in an insulating adhesive.

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending at line 13 on page 4:

Additional features and advantages of the present invention are described in, and will be apparent from, the following Detailed Description.

Please replace the Title on page 4, line 15 with the following rewritten Title:

~~BEST MODE FOR CARRYING OUT THE INVENTION~~DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending at line 10 on page 18:

It should be understood that various changes and modifications to the presently preferred embodiments described herein will be apparent to those skilled in the art. Such changes and modifications can be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention and without diminishing its intended advantages. It is therefore intended that such changes and modifications be covered by the appended claims.

Please replace the TITLE on page 21 with the following rewritten TITLE:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE